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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with Dr. Brzezinski,  
17 August 1978

1. Brzezinski indicated he wanted to talk to me at some future time about the House Appropriations Committee action on the NFIP. I told him we were developing a game plan to cope with it.

2. I asked him when the NSC meeting on the MidEast would be. He indicated that if there was one it would probably be the 2nd, 3rd or 4th.

3. I got agreement that at my next meeting with Brzezinski I ought to bring two or three people working on the MidEast preparations for the President, as per the President's comments at the NFAC conference with the President on Wednesday. I gave that to his appointments secretary and she agreed to extend my meeting with him next week to an hour. I will take Bob Ames and a couple of other people with me of NFAC's choice.

6. I discussed the response to Senator Bayh. He had total lack of recall on this one. He asked me to send him again the paper I had given him two weeks ago, which was not the draft letter to Bayh but a talking paper that said what Bayh had asked us to tell him and then what we were planning to say in encapsulated terms. See if you can unearth that and get it back to him.

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8. He indicated that the President had rejected any consideration of the decisions he was being asked to make on the Charter legislation. He said there were simply too many and Harold and I had to get together and narrow them down. I told Dr. Brzezinski I thought it had been narrowed to one or two items, e.g., would the DCI be a Level 1 or a Level 2. Zbig indicated no, there were many more issues. I frankly don't know what they are. Zbig said he had scheduled a meeting with Harold Brown and me next week to talk about [redacted] and about this. Get hold of what they sent the President to decide upon about the Charters so that I can meet with Harold Brown on Wednesday and try to resolve as many of them as we can.


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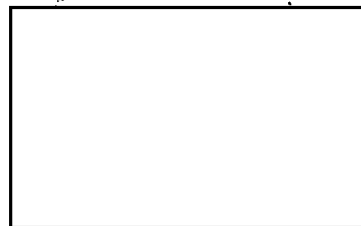
9. I didn't cover Cuban/Soviet support to Ethiopia. No need to cover the next one on [redacted] took that up with the President. Didn't cover the last three items.

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10. Next week: the status of the NITS and that they only need to be reviewed every four months rather than three. Consider taking up [redacted] issue.

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Director



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